

## CHAMP CLARK'S LETTER

## Republicans Desert the Sinking Old Hulk.

## CAN'T STAND IMPERIALISM.

## Ominous Facts Confront the G. O. P. File Leaders.

## TRUST VOTE CATCHING METHODS.

They Hesitate at Nothing to Fool Gudgeons—Making a Desperate Fight for the Next House—A Suggestion to the National Democratic Committee—Work for Southern Congressmen—A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing—Germans for Bryan.

(Special Washington Letter.)

And still they come. Nothing short of a lightning calculator in good running order can keep up with the Republicans of all degrees who are deserting the sinking old hulk. The most distinguished recruit to the Democratic ranks since my last writing is the Hon. Henry U. Johnson of Richmond, Ind. He served ten years in congress, with constantly growing prestige. I state now a fact which everybody stated then, that he was one of the ablest members of the house. Nobody doubted his courage, his capacity or his integrity. He was an able congressman in every way. He was strong in committee work and especially strong on the floor of the house. Withal he was a man of conscience. He placed right above party, and when his party began this imperialistic crusade Johnson was the first man in the house to make a speech against it. He had then, as I have reason to know, hopes of inducing his party to refrain from this un-American and ruinous policy, and he made a heroic fight. Finding the Republicans, like Ephraim of old, joined to their idols, there was but one thing left for him to do as an honest man—to leave the Republican party, which he has done. He will be welcomed generally as an auxiliary of great power.

## Not All "His Beens."

The Republicans have been claiming that all the Republicans who had deserted them were "ex's" and had no future. This theory is completely knocked in the head by the action of Hon. George L. Wellington, senior Republican senator from Maryland, who has just announced his intention of taking the stump for Bryan. Senator George F. Hoar and Senator William E. Mason went to the jumping off place, but wouldn't jump. Wellington went the whole hog. What they will say about Wellington I don't know. They will get up some plausible lie, no doubt, for that is their long suit; but nobody cares what sort of lie they tell, for nobody believes them.

Another sample of an actual Republican officeholder of high degree jumping the fence is that of Mr. Talbot of Omaha, president of the state senate of Nebraska. Perhaps no man in Nebraska had a brighter future in the Republican party than Mr. Talbot, but he couldn't stand the corruption of the Republican party and he has quit it incontinently.

Another ominous fact for the Republican spellbinders and file leaders to consider is that Arthur P. Gorman is going to take an active personal interest in the conduct of the campaign in the east. First and last I have differed with him on many propositions and I may do so hereafter, but I have never departed from the belief that he is the greatest parliamentary leader of this generation, and that as a political manager he has perhaps but one equal in the United States, and that is Matthew Stanley Quay. In 1896 he took no part whatever in the campaign. This year he is to be actively associated with Senator Jones in the management of the campaign, a fact which will set Marcus A. Hanna to rubbing his bald pate at a furious rate.

## Contagious Enthusiasm.

The monster meeting at Indianapolis at which Bryan and Stevenson accepted their nominations probably engendered enough enthusiasm of itself to carry the state of Indiana for the Democrats, for enthusiasm is the most contagious disease known among men, being more contagious than the measles, the black plague or smallpox.

It made little difference whether any one heard the speeches or not, though they were of most excellent quality. It was the event itself which engendered the enthusiasm. I have always believed, and do now believe, that had Bryan accepted the nomination in Indiana instead of New York he would now be president.

Everybody who takes any interest in the workings of the lower house of congress will be glad to know that the Hon. Henry D. Clayton of Alabama has been renominated. He is a young man of extraordinary force of character, handsome, courageous, capable and honest as the day is long. He has been in congress some years, is a member of the national committee, and as he seems to have a long lease on his seat in the house he bids fair to become a conspicuous figure in the politics of the country.

## Trusts After Gudgeons.

The trust magnates seem to be disposed to stop at nothing in their effort to rope in the unwary and to catch gudgeons. They have started out now to use the Rev. Samuel P. Jones of Georgia as a bait. That he is one of the most attractive speakers in the country everybody knows, consequently they have taken some rather loose

remarks that the Rev. Sam made and are circulating them through the advertising agencies. The scheme will hardly work, for if he finds out that the trusts are trying to use him as a cat-paw to pull Mark Hanna's chestnuts out of the fire they will hear something different. If Sam ever does open up on Mark, it will seem that he is using the English language as a bull whip about the ears of that past master boss.

Another illustrious Republican who has deserted the G. O. P. is Miss Phoebe W. Cousins, the only woman who in the history of the human race ever filled the office of United States marshal. Her father was one of the most eminent of the old line Republicans in this state and held many offices of trust and profit, dying in that of United States marshal of the eastern district of Missouri. Miss Phoebe was appointed to fill out his unexpired term and did it with credit to herself and to the satisfaction of the government. She was a prominent and influential figure in Republican circles, but she could not stand the corruption and imperialistic tendencies of the G. O. P., so she, too, flew the coop, and in flying the coop she let fly a broadside into Mark Hanna's serried ranks entitled "Is America again a vassal of England?" with a subhead, "Shall the British Lion Typify the Sacrifice of American Soldiers or a British Hiredling Writer Dub the Farewell Address of George Washington as a Curio of History?" Then she proceeds to belabor the Republicans through 29 pages, in which she absolutely flays the hides off of the whole gang. I cheerfully commend the pamphlet to all who want good campaign literature.

## Fighting For the House.

Two Washington dispatches in the public press show what a desperate fight the Republican managers are making to control the next house of representatives. One is to the effect that that palpitating and aspiring patriot, Colonel R. C. Kerens, member of the Republican national committee from Missouri, has employed Colonel W. W. Dudley of "blocks of five" fame to organize the Republicans of Missouri. Of course this means that every method known to the most corrupt politics is to be employed for the purpose of debauching the Missouri voters and electing one or more congressmen from districts now represented by Democrats.

The other dispatch of importance is along the same line as this and is to the effect that the beloved Babcock of Wisconsin, chairman of the Republican congressional campaign committee, has agreed to put \$2,000 of boodle into each of the congressional districts of Missouri. Now, Brother Babcock is like Major Joe Bagstock, "sly, sir, devilish sly." He is generally supposed to be as wily as any fox, but if it is true that he has promised to send \$2,000 into each Missouri district for corruption purposes, then a great confidence game has been played on Brother Babcock. The chances are that instead of the delegation standing 12 Democrats and 3 Republicans in the next congress, as in this, it will be 14 Democrats and 1 Republican, a great improvement. But if it be true that they are sending this money into Missouri it will demonstrate that they are fighting with as much desperation for the next house as they are for the presidency itself.

## Judge Griggs of Georgia.

One of the brightest, ablest and most genial young men in the house of representatives is Judge J. M. Griggs of Georgia. Usually he is a man of great discretion and tact, but unless the Baltimore Sun is the greatest liar in the country the judge recently stirred up a most abominable hornet's nest in delivering an address at Rome, Ga., to the graduating class of Shorter College for Young Ladies, for he tackled the new woman and pronounced a eulogy for the old fashioned woman which it does the heart good to read, but which is liable to bring down on the judge's devoted head the wrath of every short haired woman in the land, and I fear that my genial friend will not have as easy sailing in the contest which he has evoked as he generally has in his debates with his fellow congressmen, where he is thoroughly capable of holding his own. I have no doubt that somehow he will be able to come out victor, but he will need to have all his wits about him. No doubt the judge was influenced by patriotic and philanthropic motives. His address as reported in The Sun is one of the most brilliant that I ever read. It shines and glistens and sparkles like the ocean in the morning sunshine. But the trouble is, the more it shone and the more it glistened and sparkled the madder his audience got, for it was composed of young women who want to belong to the new woman class.

## A Friendly Suggestion.

Here is a bit of friendly advice for the Democratic national committee. While I am neither the financial, spiritual nor legal adviser of that distinguished body, I would like to just whisper one suggestion into their ears. Every congressman from those southern states which are reliably Democratic should be sent up into the states of the north and middle west to make campaign speeches. There is a splendid corps of them—young men in the prime of life, orators of every variety. Think what a rattling of dry bones it would make in Indiana and Illinois to turn loose in that fertile field John Sharp Williams, John Allen and Patrick Henry of Missouri, Henry D. Clayton, Willis Brewer and Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, Judge Griggs of Georgia and the whole Arkansas delegation, William Walton Kitchen, the

## Hotspur of North Carolina.

Hotspur of North Carolina; Joseph W. Bailey, Bob Henry, Tom Ball, R. C. De Graffenried, Judge Lanham, Robert Emmet Burke, and, in fact, the entire delegation from Texas, from Louisiana and Florida, with the senators from all these states. They would

make the political Rome howl and no mistake.

The Shell City (Mo.) News prints the following poem, which makes up in emphasis whatever it lacks in elegance:

SAME OLD THING.  
Same old Mack, same old Mark,  
Same old dog with same old bark.  
Same old frauds, same old gush,  
Same old Hanna with same old slush,  
Same old combines, same old trusts,  
Same old boss to say "You must,"  
Same old fight as in ninety-six,  
But this time, Mark, we're on to your tricks.

Speaking of poetry, here is a quatrain by some unknown genius which every stump speaker should fasten in his memory:

Almighty dollar, thy shining face  
Bespeaks thy wondrous power;  
My pocket make thy resting place;  
I need thee every hour.

## The Trouble With Connelly.

It seems that I am in no sort of danger of falling into that class of persons to whom the Saviour said, "Beware when all men speak well of you." My memory has been refreshed on this subject by an editorial published in the Memphis Commercial-Appeal, and presumably written by a brilliant, erratic gentleman named J. M. Connelly. The trouble with Brother Connelly is that he mistakes epithets for arguments. He jumped on me with both feet about my Boulder (Colo.) speech. The part of that speech which seems to have stirred Brother Connelly's bile to overflowing is the following:

I am this day in favor of annexing every foot of the North American British possessions clear to the frozen ocean. It is contiguous territory, inhabited by much the same sort of people that we are and who would become good citizens, but I am eternally opposed to holding Asiatic territory, 10,000 miles away, more thickly inhabited than any state in the Union, inhabited by people alien to us in color, race, thought and habit. I would keep only such places in Asia as we need for coaling and naval stations. I am opposed to expanding our territory in Asia because it is dangerous to our institutions and would inevitably involve us in endless complications, quarrels and wars. We cannot afford to jeopardize our own liberty in any such wild, reckless and wicked manner.

Now, that is a very rational statement, notwithstanding Colonel Connelly's strictures on it. I undertake to say that it is a great deal easier to call me names because of the above than to show me wherein lies what he is pleased to call its "blatant idiocy." The colonel also seems angered because I said, "I don't care a bauble about Aguinaldo and the Filipinos." Now, what the deuce is the matter with the colonel I can't tell.

## A Wolf in Disguise.

The real thing sticking in the craw of The Commercial-Appeal is that I am a Democrat and it is not, though it claims to be. Colonel Connelly is a very able man, but if he is a Democrat he ought to quit editing that paper; if he is a Republican, he ought to quit calling the sheet a Democratic newspaper. Perhaps a liver regulator would do him good. Another thing—he should rub up on his geography, as he seems sadly deficient. Somehow he has got it into his noddle that I live in the Ozark mountains. While that is a delightful place to live, and while I am firmly persuaded that the capitol of the United States should be moved to the Ozarks, I do not reside within 200 miles of them, but live in the great Mesopotamian country between the Mississippi and the Missouri and represent perhaps the finest agricultural region on the face of the earth.

I wish to suggest as gently as may be to The Commercial-Appeal that genuine Democrats don't care a copper what it thinks about any subject under the shining sun. By calling itself a Democratic paper it is playing the wolf in sheep's clothing and could be convicted in any court of justice as a rank fraud. I class it with other Republican papers and consider its abuse as positive praise. A paper which drove Ed Carmack from its editorial chair because he was honest and a silver man surely cannot have much influence with Democrats down south.

## Germans for Bryan.

The two most illustrious Germans in America are Carl Schurz and Dr. Emil Pretorius of the Westliche Post. Schurz is openly supporting Bryan and Dr. Pretorius is saying things which are helping him greatly. For instance, not long since he said editorially:

Any one who has even a superficial knowledge of history knows the menacing danger (drohende Gefahr) which militarism carries to the free institutions of a country, especially of a republic. France of today should serve as a horrible example (abschreckendes Beispiel).

If anybody has ever had a good word to say about Colonel Teddy's asinine, outrageous and libelous speech at St. Paul, I have not heard of it. So far as I have been able to observe it has been received by the public press with sullen silence, defensive remarks or open denunciation. It perhaps did the Republicans more harm than anything else that has happened this summer.

John Peter Altgeld, once a Missouri-an and later governor of Illinois, jumped on Teddy at Toledo and danced a war jig on him. John Peter grew sarcastic and alliterative and said, "Recently a gentleman in New York who had become famous for being alone in Cuba, a gentleman who has adopted as his life motto or coat of arms two 'p's' and a double 's,' which four letters signify 'pompous posing' and 'strenuous strutting,' left the capital of New York and went to St. Paul and delivered a speech," etc., and then for about an hour John Peter proceeded to cut the "pompous posing" and "strenuous strutting" into ribbons, to borrow a phrase from the pugilistic fraternity. That John Peter did the job well goes without saying.

Inconsistent.  
"You keep me waiting so long!" complained the customer.  
"Madam," said the worried grocer, who was economizing in his business by employing only one clerk, "ain't you the woman that was in here yesterday kicking about short weights?"—Chicago Tribune.

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## THE SUMMER WARDROBE.

Tailor Made and Other Thin, Cool Costumes.

Tailor made gowns of pique, linen or cotton duck or khaki cloth are among the leading models. They are trimmed with stitched straps, heavy embroidery or thick guipure. Pique skirts are plain or have a circular flounce, or plaits are let



in at the lower end of the seams to give greater fullness around the foot.

Formerly pique was to be found only in white, pink or blue, but now it is to be had in all colors from the most delicate to black.

Gowns of dimity, nainsook and organdie are tucked and hemstitched entirely by hand and trimmed with narrow, fine handmade lace. The materials are of the simplest, but such gowns cost immensely because of the time and the delicate work employed in their construction. Every detail is most carefully finished, and all is as fine as a cobweb. Underwear is made in the same elaborate way, not that it is overloaded with decoration, but what there is of it is perfect of its kind and all hand work.

The cut shows a costume of black embroidered net over pink taffeta. The skirt has a plaited flounce of pink mousseline de soie around the foot, and the net forms a long tunic, gathered around the waist and ornamented at the edge with jet cabochons. The blouse of black net over pink taffeta forms a plait in front and has a wide belt of black satin. The plain sleeves are of net over taffeta, and the cravat is of white tulle. The wide hat of beige straw is trimmed with black ostrich plumes and a bow of black satin with a jeweled buckle. Pink flowers are placed under the brim near the hair.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

## MODES AND FABRICS.

## Gowns of Thin Cloth and Their Appropriate Decoration.

Cloth costumes of very light weight are among the most elegant of the season. The material called pastel cloth has a finish resembling the powdery pigment for which it is named, and the surface is as delicate as the bloom on a plum.

Thin fabrics are ornamented, as they were last year, with painted garlands of flowers. These are mostly for ball gowns and are very delicate and expensive. Similar designs are painted on silk, cotton and linen muslins at a comparatively low price, and the effect is almost as good.

Cloth guipure, which is really cloth cut out in patterns and embroidered at



the edges, is a novelty which is a costly and highly appropriate decoration for cloth gowns. It is sometimes made upon a foundation of strong, plain net, which gives it greater firmness.

A picture is given which shows a costume of pastel blue cloth. The skirt has four plaits let in at the sides and back, but is otherwise plain. The bolero of blue velvet which has short sleeves edged with guipure and a guipure bertha, is placed over a lower bolero of cloth like the skirt, closed by ornamental buttons and tabs. The collar and draped chemise are of white mousseline de soie. The cloth bolero has long, tight sleeves. The hat of white straw has a drapery of blue mousseline de soie entirely covering the brim. The drapery is fastened at the left side by a large jeweled ornament.

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Condensed Schedule.  
Dated May 27, 1900.

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Leave Wilmington	p. m.	
Leave Marion	7 45	8 45
Arrive Florence	7 45	8 45
Leave Florence	p. m.	a. m.
Arrive Sumter	7 45	8 45
Leave Sumter	8 57	9 40
Arrive Columbia	10 20	11 00

No. 52 runs through from Charleston via Central R. R., leaving Charleston, 7 a. m. Leaves 8 34 a. m., Manning 9 09 a. m.

## TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No. 54	No. 63
Leave Columbia	a. m.	p. m.
Arrive Sumter	8 05	8 55
Leave Sumter	a. m.	p. m.
Arrive Florence	8 05	8 55
Leave Florence	a. m.	p. m.
Leave Marion	10 00	10 30
Arrive Wilmington	1 20	

\*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.  
No. 53 runs through to Charleston, S. O. via Central R. R., arriving Manning 5 01 p. m., leaving 6 43 p. m., Charleston 8 30 p. m.

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Condensed Schedule in Effect June 10, 1900.

No. 11	No. 12	No. 13	No. 14
Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
Leave Charleston	5 30	7 00	8 15
Arrive Columbia	6 30	8 00	9 15
Leave Columbia	6 30	8 00	9 15
Arrive Charleston	7 30	9 00	10 15
Leave Charleston	11 30	1 00	2 15
Arrive Columbia	12 30	2 00	3 15
Leave Columbia	12 30	2 00	3 15
Arrive Charleston	1 30	2 00	3 15

\*NOTE: In addition to the above service trains Nos. 15 and 16 run daily between Charleston and Asheville, carrying elegant Pullman sleeping cars. No. 15 leaves Charleston 11 00 p. m., arrive Asheville 5 55 a. m.; arrive Asheville 9 05 a. m., No. 16 leaves Asheville 2 05 p. m.; leave Columbia 1 35 p. m., arrive Charleston 7 30 a. m. Sleeping cars ready for occupancy at Charleston at 9 00 p. m. These trains make close connections at Columbia with through trains between Florida points and Washington and the east.

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No. 15	No. 16	No. 17	No. 18
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Leave Charleston	12 00	8 00	9 15
Arrive Greenville	1 00	9 00	10 15
Leave Greenville	1 00	9 00	10 15
Arrive Charleston	2 00	10 00	11 15
Leave Charleston	2 00	10 00	11 15
Arrive Greenville	3 00	11 00	12 15

## Atlanta and Beyond.

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11 20	2 10	Heath Springs	12 20	11 20	
11 35	2 15	Pleasant Hill	11 15	11 35	
12 30	2 35	Lancaster	10 55	12 30	
1 00	2 50	Riverside	10 40	1 00	
1 20	3 00	Springdell	10 30	1 20	
2 30	3 10	Catawba Junction	10 20	2 30	
2 50	3 20	Leslie	10 12	2 50	
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